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| Applicant: Kazuyuki IKEDA | Art Unit: 2832 |
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated September 1, 2004, or until February 1, 2005.

Enclosed is a Credit Card Payment form for \$120.00 to pay the one-month extension fee in accordance with Rule 1.17(a)(1).

The Commissioner of Patents is authorized to charge any amount due, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1353.

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Respectfully submitted,



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